Appl. No. 10/705,489 Resp. Dated January 3, 2007 Reply to Final Office Action of September 1, 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Albrecht WEISS

Serial No.: 10/705,489 Confirmation No.: 5102

Filed: November 11, 2003

For: MICROSCOPE, AND METHOD FOR MODIFYING THE

LIGHT FLUX IN A MICROSCOPE

Art Unit: 2872

Examiner: Joshua L. Pritchett

Customer No: 23280

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the final office action dated September 1, 2006 received in the aboveidentified application, applicant hereby respectfully requests reconsideration of the application based on the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.